

No Thumb Challenge

Lemurs have opposable thumbs (and toes) to help them do all sorts of tasks. Ever thought about how helpful our opposable thumbs are? Take the no-thumb challenge to see if you could live life without opposable thumbs.

What you need:

• Tape, masking tape or blue tape

Directions:

Tape your thumb to your hand. Then attempt the following tasks.

Tasks:

- Peel a banana
- Write your name on a piece of paper
- Make a peanut butter and jelly sandwich
- Tie your shoes
- Brush your hair

Our lemurs use their opposable thumbs and toes to do all sorts of tasks, like climbing, finding their food, and grooming each other. Life as a primate with opposable thumbs sure does make life easier.



